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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE
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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF
SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES
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Agenda item 4

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE FIRST SESSION OF THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE

Note by the Secretariat

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
2. Preparations for the first Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States on the basis of General Assembly resolution 47/189 and taking into account other relevant General Assembly resolutions:
 - (a) Activities of the United Nations system and intergovernmental and other bodies of relevance to the preparatory process related to the sustainable development needs of small island developing States in the light of relevant recommendations of Agenda 21;
 - (b) Preparations by the host Government;
 - (c) Reports from regional technical meetings;
 - (d) Participation of non-governmental organizations in the preparatory process;
 - (e) Operations of the voluntary fund;
 - [(f) Reports of the working groups.]
3. Consideration of plans and programmes to support the sustainable development of small island developing States and the utilization of their marine and coastal resources, which involve meeting essential human needs,

maintaining biodiversity, and improving the quality of life for island people, as well as measures that will enable small island developing States to cope effectively, creatively and in a sustainable manner with environmental changes and to mitigate the impacts on and reduce the threats posed to marine and coastal resources:

- (a) Overview of the special problems of small island developing States:
 - (i) Current trends in the socio-economic development of small island developing States;
 - (ii) Nature and magnitude of specific vulnerabilities of small island developing States, including specific indicators of vulnerability;
 - (iii) Prospects for, constraints on and further options for sustainable development;
 - (b) Priority areas for the sustainable development of small island developing States:
 - (i) Management of environmental problems of small island developing States;
 - (ii) Management of the resources of small island developing States;
 - (iii) Capacity-building in small island developing States;
 - (c) Implementation, monitoring and review of the recommendations emerging from agenda item 3 (a) and (b) above:
 - (i) National implementation, including recommendations for national capacity-building;
 - (ii) Regional implementation, including review of relevant regional institutional arrangements and, where appropriate, recommendations for improvement;
 - (iii) International implementation.
4. Provisional agenda for the Conference;
5. Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee.

ANNOTATIONS

- 3 (b) (i) Priority areas for the management of environmental problems of small island developing States include the following:
- 1. Climate change and sealevel rise, including coral bleaching and tropical storms;

2. Natural and environmental disaster preparedness, including early warning systems, disaster relief mechanisms and storm-resistant construction;
 3. Management of waste.
- 3 (b) (ii) Priority areas for the management of the resources of small island developing States include the following:
1. Coastal and marine resources;
 2. Freshwater resources;
 3. Land resources, including sustainable agriculture and forestry;
 4. Energy resources;
 5. Tourism resources;
 6. Biodiversity resources.
- 3 (b) (iii) Priority areas related to capacity-building in small island developing States include the following:
1. National institutions and administrative capacity;
 2. Regional institutions and technical cooperation;
 3. Regional transport and communication systems;
 4. Science and technology;
 5. Human resource development, including education, training, health and population.
- 3 (c) (iii) International implementation, monitoring and review of the recommendations emerging from agenda item 3 (a) and (b) above include the following:
1. Review of the responsiveness of international institutional arrangements to the sustainable development needs of small island developing States and, where appropriate, recommendations for improvement;
 2. Recommendations for monitoring and follow-up within the United Nations system.
